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Remarks/Arguments:

Claims 5-7 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Saito (U.S. 6,456,246). It is respectfully submitted, however, that these claims are patentable over the art of record for the reasons set forth below.

Applicants' invention, as recited by claim 5, includes a feature which is neither disclosed nor suggested by the art of record, namely:

... a first antenna element ...

... a second antenna element ...

wherein said first and second antenna elements each have an electrical length of over ¼ wavelength relative to a frequency band of said current ...

This feature is supported by the originally filed application at page 5, line 22 through page 6, line 7 and page 9, lines 2-22. No new matter has been added.

The above feature is completely lacking from Saito. As set forth in Applicants' originally filed application, it is <u>because</u> each antenna element is over ¼ wavelength that an antenna can be made with a lower height while enhancing efficiency of radiation from the antenna into the air.

As the above feature is neither disclosed nor suggested by Saito, claim 5 is patentable over Saito.

Claims 6 and 7 are patentable by virtue of their dependency on allowable claim 5.

Claim 8 was previously indicated as being allowable if rewritten into independent form. Claim 8 has been rewritten accordingly.

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In view of the amendments and arguments set forth above, the above-identified application is in condition for allowance, which action is respectfully requested.

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